GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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CRUDE OIL AND GAS RESERVE IN ASSAM
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of latest expert study/assessment of crude oil and gas reserves carried out in Assam;

(b) the total number of wells recommended for drilling for the purpose of exploration and development works; and

(c) the actual numbers of such wells drilled so far?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a)to(c): Dr. A.W. Bally, was given consultancy project by Oil & Natural Gas Corporation Ltd. (ONGC) on the `India`s Tertiary folded belts and fore land basins - a ranking of exploration opportunities`. This consultancy project had not made an assessment of crude oil & gas reserves of Assam nor recommended drilling of wells. The in-place reserves in Assam estimated by ONGC and Oil India Ltd. (OIL) as on 1.4.99 are about 1053 Million Metric Tonne of crude oil and 310 Billion Cubic Metre of natural gas.